# **Questions and Answers** about how we can help you.

#### What is this program called and how does it work?

It's called Employer Sponsored Insurance or ESI. Employer Sponsored Insurance pays you for the cost of your insurance premium. You and your family can be in the same health plan – and share the same family doctor!

#### Will I still get a medical ID card?

You will still get your DSHS medical ID card for co-pays and deductibles.

#### Are all my family members eligible?

We may pay premiums for family members who are not receiving DSHS benefits. Call us for more information.

#### How do I find out more?

Call us toll-free at:

### **1-800-794-4360** and select **option 3**.

Or, fill out the questions on the application and mail it in the attached envelope. No postage needed.





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## **Application for Employer Sponsored Insurance**

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1	Your name:Address:		2								
	Phone Number: ( )		Phone Number: ( )								
3	Employer's health insurance Please fill out the all the information below or send us a copy of your insurance card.  Name of employer's health insurance policy:										
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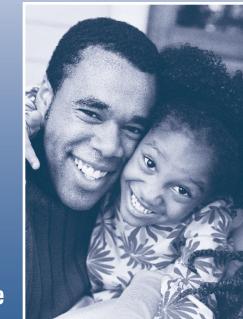
If you or your children qualify for Medicaid and you wish to learn more about the **Employer Sponsored Insurance Program** call **1-800-794-4360** and select option 3





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Why did the State start

**Employer Sponsored Insurance (ESI)?** 

The Department of Social and Health Services' Employer Sponsored Insurance was created by the Legislature in 2004. It saves money for state taxpayers and gives government and businesses a chance to work together to increase private health insurance to families who otherwise couldn't pay their own premiums and to reduce health care costs to the state.

# How is the program working?

The Department of Social and Health Services ensures the state is saving money. Recent findings include:

- Medicaid currently spends an average of \$173 a month on clients' health care.
- After enrollment in Employer Sponsored Insurance, the average client's cost to Medicaid is \$92 a month.

health insurance information for you!

Are you offered health insurance through your job? Are you or your family getting a DSHS medical card?

A new program for working families your family may be eligible for **Employer Sponsored Insurance** at no cost to you!

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